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SUBJ: ROMANIA AT BELGRADE CSCE MEETING: THE PUBLIC RECORD
REF: BUCHAREST 276

1. ROMANIAN PARTY PAPER SCINTEIA HAS RECENTLY RUN SERIES OF
FOUR ARTICLES (JUNE 4, 8, 12 AND 14) DEALING WITH ROMANIAN
ATTITUDES TOWARDS CSCE AND EACH OF THE THREE BASKETS. ABSTRACTING
FROM THESE, ONE RECEIVES FOLLOWING IMPRESSIONS OF WHAT THE

GOR WANTS AND MAY PROPOSE AT THE BELGRADE MEETING.

2. DISARMAMENT. GOR REGARDS BASKET I AS "KEY" TO PROBLEM OF EUROPEAN SECURITY. IT CAN BE EXPECTED TO:

---PRESS HARD ONCE AGAIN FOR AT LEAST A COMMITMENT TO MORE MEANINGFUL DISARMAMENT AND MILITARY DIS-ENGAGEMENT MEASURES, REFLECTING CEAUSESCU'S DIRECT INTEREST IN THIS AREA;
---DENIGRATE CBM'S AS "PALLIATIVES", WHOSE EFFECT HAS BEEN MINIMAL WHEN COMPARED TO ACCELERATION OF ARMS RACE;
---ADVANCE SUCH SPECIFIC PROPOSALS AS A TEN-FIFTEEN PERCENT ACROSS-THE-BOARD CUT IN DEFENSE BUDGETS, AND A NON-FIRST USE OF FORCE TREATY, AS WELL AS A PANOPLY OF PREVIOUS PROPOSALS ADVANCED IN THE UN CONTEXT.

3. ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. IN BASKET II DISCUSSIONS, GOR WILL:

---ARGUE THAT WESTERN ECONOMIC STAGNATION MAKES EAST-WEST ECONOMIC COOPERATION ALL THE MORE IMPERATIVE FOR BOTH SIDES;
--MAINTAIN THAT THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEASURES OF BASKET II ALSO HAVE IMPORTANT POLITICAL CONTENT AND SIGNIFICANCE;
---ALLEGED THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALSO EMBRACES HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS SUCH AS RIGHT TO A JOB, HOUSING, AND EDUCATION WHICH WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE NOT SUFFICIENTLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECOGNIZED, OR SOLVED;

---PRESS ROMANIAN PROPOSALS MADE AT UN EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION ON ACCELERATION OF COOPERATION BY EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES IN THE ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL FIELDS;
---STRESS THE SUB-REGIONAL ASPECTS OF EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION, AND ESPECIALLY THE BALKAN CONTRIBUTION;
---COMPLAIN OF INCREASED RECENT RESTRICTIONS IN ECONOMIC FIELD, E.G. FISHING, AS WELL AS THE USE OF ECONOMIC POLICY AS MEANS OF POLITICAL PRESSURE;
---CALL FOR REDUCTION OF ARTIFICIAL ECONOMIC BARRIERS AND IMPEDIMENTS;
---PROPOSE A EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION;
---PROPOSE THAT EUROPEAN STATES ADOPT SOME SORT OF COMMON ACTION PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE TO LDC'S AND NON-ALIGNED;
---SUPPORT SOVIET PROPOSALS FOR CONFERENCES ON ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.

4. BASKET III. HERE GOR IS LIKELY TO BE ON THE DEFENSIVE, FOR EXAMPLE, IT WILL:

---MAINTAIN THAT FINAL ACT IS BASED ON PRINCIPLE OF NON-

INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND THAT PROGRESS IN CULTURAL AND HUMANITARIAN REALMS MUST RESPECT THIS;
---PROPOSE THE EUROPEAN WIDE ORGANIZATION OF FESTIVALS, SEMINARS AND COLLOQUIA ON THE ARTS AND CULTURE, CITING RECENT BUCHAREST "FESTIVAL OF EUROPEAN FRIENDSHIP" AS EXAMPLE;
---BOAST OF ROMANIAN RECORD ON CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES;
---DENOUNCE WESTERN HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGNERS DISTORTION OF FINAL ACT AND DISREGARD OF TRUE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS WHICH EXIST IN WESTERN SOCIETY, AS WELL AS AN INSTIGATION TO EMIGRATION;
---ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE EXIST FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES OF OPINION BETWEEN EAST AND WEST ON SUBJECT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS", BUT URGE THAT THIS NOT LEAD TO CONFRONTATION;
---SUPPORT PROPOSALS FOR A CONFERENCE ON IMPROVING WORKING CONDITIONS, PARTICULARLY OF MIGRANT WORKERS;
---CALL FOR A EUROPEAN WIDE CONFERENCE ON MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREADING OF DRUGS, PORNOGRAPHY, VIOLENCE AND RACISM.

5. THE FUTURE. GOR ARGUES THAT BELGRADE MEETING SHOULD:
---CONTINUE CSCE INITIAL PROGRESS;
---ADOPT MEASURES FOR DEEPENING AND INTENSIFYING APPLICATION OF FINAL ACT;
---ESTABLISH NEW INITIATIVES AND DIRECTIONS OF ACTION FOR STRENGTHENING EUROPEAN SECURITY;
---CONCENTRATE ON "ABSOLUTELY CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSION" IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT "PRACTICAL, CONCRETE AND UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTABLE DECISIONS";
---NOT BE LIMITED TO SIMPLE CONSULTATIONS, EXCHANGES OF VIEWS, OR AN "INFORMATIVE INVENTORY OF TASKS AND PROBLEMS", WHICH WOULD BE IMMOBILISM;
---PRODUCE CONCRETE ACTION PROGRAM FOR CONTINUATION OF CSCE PROCESS.

6. COMMENT: IN THIS CASE THE PUBLIC ROMANIAN PRONOUNCEMENTS SEEM TO COME VERY CLOSE TO REALITY. THE GOR DOES VERY MUCH WANT THE HELSINKI PROCESS TO CONTINUE AND THIS IS LIKELY TO BE ITS OVERALL TOP PRIORITY AT BELGRADE. WITHIN THE INDIVIDUAL BASKETS, CEAUSESCU'S OWN CONCERN WITH DISARMAMENT WILL FORCE ROMANIAN DEL TO ACCORD THIS SUBJECT A GREAT DEAL OF ATTENTION. FINALLY, GOR ALSO APPEARS WILLING AND EAGER TO ACT AS LDC AND NAM STALKING HORSE.
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7. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ORDER TO FURTHER OUR
DISCUSSION WITH ROMANIANS HERE ON CSCE WE WOULD
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